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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

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### **Moderator**

CONVERSE A. CHELLIS

### **Selectmen**

JOHN W. WHITNEY                      FRED A. MARK  
EARLE W. COLBY

### **Town Clerk**

WILLIAM H. JENNEY

### **Treasurer**

SUSIE JORDAN

### **Collector of Taxes**

VERNON C. HOOD

### **Supervisors of Check List**

OTIS W. JORDAN                      EDWIN M. PORTER  
J. CHARLES MEYETTE

### **Overseer of Poor**

FRED A. MARK

### **Road Agents**

HERBERT KING                      FRANK HUSSEY

### **Trustees of Trust Funds**

JOHN W. WHITNEY                      PALMER C. READ  
HOWARD ZEA

### **Auditors**

HOWARD W. CHELLIS                      BLANCH A. L. DANIELS

### **Constables**

JOHN F. McNAMARA                      MILTON MORSE

### **Dog Constable**

EDWARD M. PIERCE

### **Library Trustees**

THOMAS INGRAM                      EDITH M. WHITNEY  
LUCY BISHOP                      MARY A. FREEMAN  
SARA WHITAKER                      ETHEL P. DUNCKLEE





## TOWN WARRANT

March 1942

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### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the town of Plainfield in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, Meriden, in said Plainfield on Tuesday, the tenth day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1.** To choose a Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, Treasurer, Tax Collector, one or more Highway Agents, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, two Library Trustees for three years and all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay outstanding notes and interest.

**Article 3.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay all other necessary town expenses for the ensuing year.

**Article 4.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the town poor.

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise the amount of money required by law to secure State Aid on Class 5 highways plus any additional amounts necessary.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for construction of the Class 2 road known as the Plainfield-Meriden Stage Road and raise for said purpose the sum of \$1,174.50. The State will contribute \$3,523.50.

**Article 7.** To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise to assist citizens of Plainfield for a ward bed as needed in the Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Claremont Hospital, or both, also to appoint a committee to make resolutions regarding the same.

**Article 8.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Memorial Day.

**Article 9.** To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise for snow removal.

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 to assist in the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum equal to not more than one one-hundredth of one per cent ( $1/100$  of 1%) of the assessed valuation based on the assessment of 1941 for the purpose of advertising the attractions and resources of the town in connection with other towns in the Dartmouth Lake Sunapee Region.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to apply for State Aid for the completion or any part of the construction of the highway known as the Stage Road and borrow money therefor.

**Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road beginning at the south end of the new road leading from the Exom Eaton place to the Osborne Rudd place and running westerly to the road leading past the John Lapan place to the Exom Eaton place.

**Article 14.** "To see if the Town will vote to petition the state tax commission to have an audit made by the division of municipal accounting and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such an audit."

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to be paid on or before one year pursuant to the laws 1917.



**Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 2% on all 1942 property taxes, paid on or before July 10th.

**Article 17.** To see what action the Town will take in regard to the reports of Town Officers.

**Article 18.** To transact any other business that may legally and properly come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 20th day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-two.

John W. Whitney,  
Fred A. Mark,  
Earle W. Colby,  
Selectmen of Plainfield.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

John W. Whitney,  
Fred A. Mark,  
Earle W. Colby,  
Selectmen of Plainfield.

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF**  
**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year**  
**Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous**

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1941	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1942	Increase	Decrease
<b>Sources of Revenue</b>				
<b>From State:</b>				
Interest and Dividends				
Tax	\$ 7,121.04	\$ 7,000.00		\$ 121.04
Railroad Tax	27.27	27.27		
Savings Bank Tax	467.64	450.00		17.64
Class V Highways	1,991.90	1,946.90		45.00
Bounties	11.40	5.60		5.80
<b>From Local Sources Ex-</b>				
<b>cept Taxes:</b>				
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	2.50	2.50		
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	153.73	75.00		78.73
<b>Income of Departments:</b>				
(a) Land Rent	54.22	50.00		4.22
(b) Burnap Fund Int.	55.00	55.00		
(c) Refunds	228.87	100.00		128.87
<b>Income from Municipal-</b>				
<b>ly Owned Utilities:</b>				
Filing Fee		5.00	5.00	

# PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

February 1, 1942 to January 31, 1943 Compared with Actual  
Year February 1, 1941 to January 31, 1942

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1941	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1942	Increase	Decrease
<b>Purposes of Expenditures</b>				
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>				
<b>General Government:</b>				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 779.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 221.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	394.84	500.00	105.16	
Election and Registration Expenses	23.00	200.00	177.00	
Municipal Court Expenses				
Painting Town Hall	81.99			81.99
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	197.35	150.00		47.35
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>				
Police Department	84.70	100.00	15.30	
Fire Department	271.04	250.00		21.04
Moth Extermination— Blister Rust	400.00			400.00
Bounties	5.60	10.00	4.40	
<b>Health:</b>				
Health Department, in- cluding hospitals	71.17	200.00	128.83	
Vital Statistics	22.00	22.00		
Damage by Dogs	67.30	100.00	32.70	
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>				
Town Maintenance	4,851.63	4,851.63		
Street Lighting	102.45	100.00		2.45
General Expenses of High- way Department	1,500.58	1,000.00		500.58
Town Road Aid	1,991.90	1,946.90		45.00
Tractor and Plow	544.27	600.00	55.73	
<b>Libraries:</b>				
Libraries	202.00	200.00		2.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>				
Town Poor	1,693.30	1,500.00		193.30
Old Age Assistance	419.75	500.00	80.25	



**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF**  
**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year**  
**Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous**

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1941	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1942	Increase	Decrease
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,506.50	1,000.00		506.50
Dog Licenses	309.00	309.00		
Sale of Town Property acquired by Tax Deeds		150.00	150.00	
<b>Amount Raised by Issue Of Bonds or Notes:</b>				
Anticipation Note	12,000.00	12,000.00		
Serial Notes for Tractor	3,200.00			3,200.00
Miscellaneous	117.66			117.66
Cash on Hand (Surplus)	671.42	3,322.41	2,650.99	
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>				
(a) Poll Taxes	929.40	930.00	.60	
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	53.00	53.00		
(c) Tax Sales Redeemed	897.05	400.00		497.05
(d) Property and Polls Previous Years	146.02	105.40		40.62
Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$29,943.62	\$27,987.08	\$ 2,806.59	\$ 4,763.13
* Amt. to be Raised by Property Taxes	25,710.34			
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$55,653.96</b>			

# PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

February 1, 1941 to January 31, 1942 Compared with Actual  
Year February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1941	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1942	Increase	Decrease
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	16.35	25.00	8.65	
Refunds	11.66			11.66
Taxes bought by Town	562.30	500.00		62.30
<b>Recreation:</b>				
Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	40.00			40.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>				
Damage and Legal	166.51	200.00	33.49	
Cemeteries	12.00	12.00		
Cemetery Fence	225.57			225.57
Motor Fees to Clerk	116.00	100.00		16.00
<b>Interest:</b>				
On Temporary Loans	211.52	200.00		11.52
On Taxes Bought by Town	6.53	6.00		.53
On Long Term Notes	198.28	175.00		23.28
On Principal of Trust Funds Used by Town	36.00	36.00		
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>				
Unexpended Balance 1941 S.A.C. App.		1,156.61	1,156.61	
State Aid Construction —Town's Share	100.21	1,174.50	1,074.29	
Westgate Bridge	728.85			728.85
Walker Bridge	276.54			276.54
Cemetery Drive	97.46			97.46
New Equipment	3,200.00			3,200.00
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>				
(a) Temporary Loan	14,000.00	12,500.00		1,500.00
(b) Long Term Notes	1,500.00	3,100.00	1,600.00	
<b>Payments to Other Govern- mental Divisions:</b>				
County Taxes	4,940.12	4,940.12		
Burnap Fund	36.21	36.21		
Payments to School Dist.	12,140.57	12,000.00		140.57
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$52,326.55</b>	<b>\$49,391.97</b>	<b>\$ 4,693.41</b>	<b>\$ 7,627.99</b>

## INVENTORY OF THE TOWN ON APRIL 1, 1941

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Land and Buildings	\$680,890.00
Electric Lines	19,765.00
Horses, 122	12,350.00
Oxen, 12	1,015.00
Cows, 565	33,380.00
Neat Stock, 114	4,740.00
Sheep, 371	2,660.00
Hogs, 9	135.00
Fowl, 2,435	2,210.00
Fur Bearing Animals, 112	600.00
Portable Mills, 5	2,950.00
Wood and Lumber	13,860.00
Pumps and Tanks, 12	985.00
Stock in Trade	5,220.00
Mills and Aqueducts	2,800.00
Total Valuation	\$783,560.00
Amount exempt to soldiers and soldier's widows	\$17,690.00
Poll Taxes	\$1,056.00



# **AMOUNT OF TAXES ASSESSED FOR ALL PURPOSES**

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Outstanding Notes and Interest	\$ 4,000.00
General Government	2,200.00
Town Poor	2,000.00
Highways and Bridges	4,500.00
Library Tax	49.20
Hospitals	200.00
Memorial Day	25.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00
State Aid Construction	1,161.00
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	40.00
County Tax	4,940.12
Bridge Repairs	400.00
Cemetery Fence	250.00
Pine Blister Rust	400.00
Support of Schools	11,714.00
Painting Town Hall	100.00
Overlay	977.33

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\$34,307.26

**Credits:**

Poll Taxes	\$1,056.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	53.00
Insurance Tax	18.38
Interest and Dividends Tax	6,557.92
Savings, Bank Tax	502.60
Railroad Tax	29.68
Motor Permits	1,381.59

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Total Credits	\$9,599.17
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Actual Property Tax committed to collector including Bank Stock	\$27,008.05
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Tax Rate \$3.30

## ASSETS

Cash on hand	\$3,322.41
Joint Highway Acct.—Bal. in State Treasury	3,469.84
Hedgehog Bounties—Due from State	5.60
Lease land rent	523.44
Assets Due Town on Collector's Books:	
Uncollected tax levy 1940	22.80
Uncollected tax levy 1941	82.60
Unredeemed previous years tax sales	375.93

### Liens secured by 1942 sale of taxes:

Alice Cuddy	40.11
Ellen Chapman	18.05
Clyde Harrington	65.31
Harry Jones	3.39
Heirs of Helen Labor	16.43
Alice Merrihew	38.79
William Martin	30.05
Ella Cutts	36.77
Charles Strobel	19.69
Erwin Williams	13.27
Alta Brayton	65.62
Margaret Dana	3.51
Olivia Ouilette	36.77
Katie Pierce	36.77
Katherine Zeady	36.77
	\$8,263.92

## LIABILITIES

Balance due School District	\$ 5,514.00
Dog Licenses	241.70
Land Rent	54.22
Burnap Fund	164.99
Due Herbert King, Error in Road Acct.	3.00
Joint Highway Accounts:	
Balance in State Treasury	3,469.84
Balance in Town Treasury	1,156.61
Lincoln Young & Co., Note Due July 15, 1942	2,000.00
Lincoln Young & Co., Serial Notes	3,000.00
Lincoln Young & Co., Tractor Serial Notes	3,200.00
Lucy Chamberlain Note	600.00
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Total	\$18,247.75

### Financial Statement

Net Debt Jan. 31st, 1941	\$12,504.83
Net Debt Jan. 31st, 1942	9,983.83
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Decrease	\$ 2,521.00

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## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the Year Ending January 31, 1942

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### Motor Vehicle Permits

Cash received for permits 1940-41	\$ 2.89
Cash received for permits 1941-42	1,432.48
Cash received for permits 1942	71.13

### Dog Licenses

Cash received for 1942	309.00
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Paid Town Treasurer	\$1,815.50

William H. Jenney,  
Town Clerk.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1941	\$ 671.42
Lincoln R. Young & Co., Note	12,000.00
Lincoln R. Young & Co., Note	3,200.00
W. H. Jenney Clerk, Motor Vehicle Permits 1940	2.89
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Motor Vehicle Permits 1941	1,432.48
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Motor Vehicle Permits 1942	71.13
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Dog licenses	309.00
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Refund on Bond	4.00
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Bounties	11.40
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Class V Highways	1,991.90
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Railroad Tax	27.27
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Savings Bank Tax	467.64
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Interest and Dividends Tax	7,121.04
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Sale of Elliott Property	124.89
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Refund Posting and Removing Ban Notices	7.30
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Refund on Old Age Assistance	14.85
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Refund on Motor Vehicle Road Toll	10.60
Willard Whitney, old iron sold	7.20
Interest on Burnap Fund	55.00
Leased Land Rent	54.22
Philip Hadley, Rent of Town Hall, Plainfield	2.50
Griswold Heyward	5.31
County of Sullivan, County Poor Refund	5.98
Palmer C. Read, Refund on Mrs. Churchill's Fire	47.10
Harry Carlson, Cash for Old Snow Plow	10.00
Herbert E. Ward, Cemetery Driveway	97.46
I. L. Thomas, Cash for Plowing Driveway	3.00
Kimball Union Academy, Check returned for Dinner for Finance Committee	3.50
Herbert P. King, Refund on Road Work	.34
Herbert P. King, Over payment on Order Refund	5.00

Vernon A. Hood, Collector,	
1937 Property Taxes Redeemed	83.66
1937 Interests and Costs	31.28
1938 Property Taxes Redeemed	135.80
1938 Interest and Costs	30.89
1939 Property Taxes Redeemed	291.66
1939 Interest and Costs	55.77
1939 Poll Taxes	8.00
1940 Property Taxes Redeemed	385.93
1940 Interest and Costs	16.09
1940 Poll Taxes	118.00
1940 Property Personal Redeemed	20.02
1940 Property Personal Interest Collected	1.14
1941 Property Taxes	25,763.34
1941 Poll Taxes	929.40
1941 Interest Collected	18.56
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Total Receipts	\$55,653.96
Selectmen's Order Paid	52,326.55
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	3,327.41
Less Error overpayment to Herbert P. King, on Order No. 4371	5.00
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Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1942	\$3,322.41

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susie Jordan, Treasurer.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

### Levy of 1941

—DR.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$25,952.05	
Poll Taxes	1,056.00	
Total Warrant	\$27,008.05	
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	42.90	
Poll Taxes	38.00	
Interest Collected	18.56	
Total Debits		\$27,107.51

—CR.—

Total Remittances to Treasurer	\$26,711.30	
Discount Allowed	188.71	
Abatements	124.90	
Uncollected Property Taxes	0.00	
Uncollected Poll Taxes	82.60	
Total Credits		\$27,107.51

### Levy of 1940

—DR.—

Uncollected as of Feb. 1, 1941	\$154.06	
Added	30.00	
Interest Collected	1.14	
Total Debits		\$ 185.20

—CR.—

Paid Treasurer	\$139.16	
Abated	23.24	
Uncollected	22.80	
Total Credits		\$ 185.20

### Levy of 1939

—DR.—

Uncollected as of Feb. 1, 1941	\$56.09	
Total Debits		\$ 56.09



—CR.—

Paid Treasurer	\$8.00		
Abated	48.09		
Total Credits		\$	56.09

### Levy of 1938

—DR.—

Uncollected as of Feb. 1, 1941	\$15.92		
Total Debits		\$	15.92

—CR.—

Abated	\$15.92		
Total Credits		\$	15.92

## SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF JANUARY 31, 1942

Tax Sale on account of Levy of

	1941	1940	1939	1938	1937
Taxes Sold to Town (a)	\$461.30	*\$692.68	*\$362.84	*\$193.31	*\$ 83.66
Taxes Sold to Others		37.75			
Int. Coll. after sale		14.84	55.77	30.89	31.28
Redemption Costs		1.25			
	<u>\$461.30</u>	<u>\$746.52</u>	<u>\$418.61</u>	<u>\$224.20</u>	<u>\$114.94</u>
Remittances to Treas.		402.02	347.43	166.69	114.94
Remittances to Others		37.75			
Abatements		2.00			
Deeded to Town				57.51	
Unredeemed Taxes Feb. 1	461.30	304.75	71.18		
	<u>\$461.30</u>	<u>\$746.52</u>	<u>\$418.61</u>	<u>\$224.20</u>	<u>\$114.94</u>

(a) Total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale.

(\*) Unredeemed Taxes as of beginning of fiscal year, Feb. 1, 1941.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vernon A. Hood,  
Tax Collector.

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

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Town Officers' Salaries	\$779.00
Town Officers' Expenses	394.84
Election and Registration	23.00
Town Halls	197.35
Painting Town Hall	81.99
Police Department	84.70
Fire Department	271.04
Pine Blister Rust	400.00
Bounties	5.60
Damage by Dogs	67.30
Town Dump	29.17
Vital Statistics	22.00
Hospital	42.00
Town Maintenance (Summer)	5,209.22
Town Maintenance (Winter)	1,634.31
Tractor Maintenance	544.27
Street Lighting	102.45
General Expense Highway Department	1,500.58
Motor Fees to Clerk	116.00
Libraries	202.00
Old Age Assistance	419.75
Poor Account	1,693.30
Memorial Day	16.35
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	40.00
Cemetery Fence	225.57
Cemeteries	12.00
Damage and Legal Expenses	166.51
Taxes bought by Town	562.30
Refunds	11.66
Interest	452.33
State Aid Construction	100.21
Cemetery Drive	97.46
Walker Bridge	276.54
Westgate Bridge	728.85
New Equipment	3,200.00
Temporary Loans	14,000.00
Term Notes	1,500.00
County Tax	4,940.12
Burnap Fund	36.21
School District	12,140.57
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Total	\$52,326.55

## DETAIL PAYMENTS

### Town Officers' Salaries

Earle W. Colby, Selectman to Mar 11th, 1941	\$47.25
John W. Whitney, Selectman to Mar. 11th, 1941	47.25
Fred A. Mark, Selectman to Mar. 11th, 1941	14.00
Vernon A. Hood, Tax Collector	175.00
Susie Jordan, Treasurer	100.00
William H. Jenney, Town Clerk	25.00
John W. Whitney, Selectman	180.50
Fred A. Mark, Selectman	41.75
Earle W. Colby, Selectman	94.25
Fred A. Mark, Overseer of Poor	30.00
Howard W. Chellis, Auditor	12.00
Blancha L. Daniels, Auditor	12.00
Total	<hr/> \$779.00

### Town Officers' Expenses

Cory-Hewitt, printing reports	\$134.72
Town Officers' Expense prior to Mar. 11, 1941	11.52
Stephen F. Plummer, stamps	6.00
The Landmark, Officers' Expense	7.90
Wheeler & Clark, Officers' Expense	12.98
Edson Eastman, Officers' Expense	1.08
Claremont Eagle, Collector's Expense	8.10
Brown & Saltmarsh, Collector's Expense	4.00
Vernon A. Hood, Collector's Expense	24.76
Cory-Hewitt, Clerk's Expense	4.93
Archie M. Swett, Clerk's Asso. Dues	2.00
William H. Jenney, Clerk's Expense	15.00
Mary E. Whitney, Typing Notices	1.00
Susie Jordan, Treasurer's Expense	12.95
John W. Whitney, Expense	45.49
Fred A. Mark, Expense	78.02
Earle W. Colby, Expense	20.89
Error	3.50
Total	<hr/> \$394.84

### **Election and Registration**

J. Charles Meyette, Supervisor	\$9.00
Otis W. Jordan, Supervisor	9.00
Susie Jenney, Election Officer	5.00
Total	<hr/> \$23.00

### **Town Hall Expense**

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	\$22.60
John F. McNamara, repairs	1.00
William H. Jenney, Insurance	82.60
Meriden Electric Light and Power Co.	12.00
Arthur Whitney, wood	20.00
C. W. King, wood	12.00
Harold Wilder, wood	24.00
Perley Coutermarsh, wood	12.65
P. A. Hadley, janitor	10.50
Total	<hr/> \$197.35

### **Painting Town Hall**

Harold Stone, Labor	\$38.40
Stephen F. Plummer, Paint	43.59
Total	<hr/> \$81.99
Appropriation	<hr/> 100.00
Unexpended Balance	\$18.01

### **Report of Plainfield Town Hall**

1 Show	\$5.00
Janitor's Percent	2.50
Balance Paid Treasurer	<hr/> \$2.50
Respectfully Submitted	
Philip A. Hadley.	



## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department

Ellen Chapman, care of tramps	\$55.00
Milton Morse, constable	29.70
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	\$84.70

### Fire Department

Colby Fire	\$115.00
Herman Plummer, boxes for fire tools	18.30
Stacey Coal & Ice Co., lumber for boxes	21.17
Merrihew fire	52.07
Churchill	47.10
Palmer C. Read, service and expense	14.60
Stephen F. Plummer, supplies	2.80
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	\$271.04

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## SUPPLEMENT TO THE REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

### Town of Plainfield, 1941

Number of Forest Fire Reports.....	1
Number of Actual Forest Fires.....	1
Number of Investigations Only.....	0
Estimated Acreage of Area Burned over.....	4
Number of Forest Fire Permits Issued.....	44

### Forest Fire Tools on Hand:

10 Knapsack Pumps
6 Shovels
6 Axes
6 Council Tools
(Fire Rakes)
6 Rakes
8 Pulaski Tools
2 Crosscut Saws & Wedges
4 Lanterns
6 Mattocks (Hazel Hoes)

**Additional Tools and Equipment Recommended to be  
Purchased**

4 Knapsack Pumps  
6 Shovels  
6 Mattocks (Hazel Hoes)  
6 Council Tools  
    (Fire Rakes)  
6 Axes  
1 Flame Thrower  
6 Lanterns

Total estimated cost to town for above equipment \$36.00

It is also recommended that \$14.00 be made available to purchase tools and equipment which may become broken, worn out or lost.

I want to express appreciation for the cooperation of Town Officials, Firemen, Deputy Wardens, Citizens and the crews of the Federal Forest Service, in the control of fires and urge the continuation of this aid in keeping the fire damage and consequent expense at the lowest possible amount for the coming year.

Palmer C. Read,

Forest Fire Warden.

**Deputy Forest Fire Wardens**

R. K. Jordan

Elbert S. Barton

Otis W. Jordan

Clarence W. King

Herbert Bean

John Farrington

## WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL

### Financial Statement

#### Town of Plainfield

1941

Crew Wages (paid by town)		\$395.20	
Foreman wages (state aid)	\$99.84		
Scout wages (paid by state)	115.20		
Total paid by state	<u>          </u>	215.04	
Total expended		<u>          </u>	\$610.24
Received from town		400.00	
Expended from town funds		395.20	
Balance due town		<u>          </u>	4.80
Area covered			910 acres
Currant and gooseberry bushes destroyed			17,961

#### Blister Rust Control

John H. Foster, state forester	\$400.00
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#### Bounties

28 Hedgehogs	\$5.60
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#### Damage by Dogs

Wheeler & Clark, dog tags	\$ 8.85
E. M. Pierce, dog constable	24.20
J. F. McNamara, dog constable	1.50
William H. Jenney, clerk, dog licenses	32.75
	<u>          </u>
	\$67.30

## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

### **Town Dump**

E. M. Pierce	\$29.17
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### **Vital Statistics**

William H. Jenney	\$22.00
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### **Hospitals**

Claremont Hospital	\$42.00
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## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

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Herbert King	\$1,314.92
Arthur LeClair	222.14
Leon Magoon	5.25
C. V. Tomkinson, gravel	98.00
Walter Stearns	235.08
Donald King	702.86
Waldro Cutts	3.19
A. H. Jones & Son	4.62
Stephen Davis	172.00
C. E. King	688.70
Osborne Rudd	31.00
Stella Hussey, gravel	10.30
Elmer Hall, gravel	3.10
Winfred Drake	118.15
Elbert Barton	10.26
John Sullivan	34.75
C. H. Williams, gravel	82.70
Leslie Dodge	98.63
Donald Crate	1.13
Joseph Crate	28.00
Gardners Garage	11.25
Palmer Read, Jr.	8.75
F. Palmer	15.38
R. Fleming	75.57
Donald Cutts	1.50
Otis W. Jordan	3.65
Ed Short	40.52
John Bayliss	63.00
Wm. Nelson	7.20
Perley Coutermarsh	55.51
Emile LaVallie, gravel	78.95
Clayton Bonner	49.53
Wm. Annal	7.95
Everett Williams	444.67
David Mark	10.50
Erwin Williams	1.25
Leslie Mark	18.63
Fred Mark	99.57
Asa Walker	6.00
A. Bontemps	37.07
C. King	38.85
E. Colby, gravel	3.85

E. Merrihew, gravel	7.00
F. Tebo	80.00
Clyde Harrington	4.00
C. H. Hill	194.40
Pellerin	221.36
Robt. Cutts	16.00
Dana Whitney	8.00
Alfred Bean, Jr.	8.00
George Kibbie	301.00
Roland McNamara	32.00
Frank Hussey, gravel	71.50
Chester Smith	16.00
H. L. Smythe, sand	1.50
Hattie Goodwin, gravel	5.60
Irving Woodward	42.90
Rand, Ball & King, cement	1.80
J. H. Kiniry	1.50
Claremont Blacksmith Shop	3.50
Mrs. Fred Currier	2.55
Benj. Goodman	2.60
Albert Barker	3.50
Total	<hr/> \$5,968.37

Herbert P. King, Road Agent.

Frank Hussey	\$167.05
Russell Camp	95.44
S. F. Hussey, gravel	4.80
Wm. H. Jenney, gravel	5.50
Wm. French	8.07
Fernald Bates	9.19
H. L. Smythe	126.38
Myron Camp	16.32
Everett Williams	189.06
Stephen Kimball	3.55
C. W. King	46.97
E. M. Pierce	21.21
Geo. Kenyon	1.50
Otis Jordan	17.65
James Smith	9.56
Palmer Read, Jr.	11.26
C. H. Hill	3.75
Harry Jones	17.76
Arthur Smith	1.88

Walter Williams	3.88
C. E. King	21.25
Francis Atwood	3.60
Albert Read	25.00
Richard Bailey	6.70
Guy Scruton	3.38
Wendell Smith	15.75
Wm. Annal	6.00
John Newell	5.25
Harold Wilder	10.00
Leon Morse	1.88
Hathorn's Garage	9.01
Fred Sweet	3.00
Stephen Plummer	1.16
Ty Barker Co.	2.40

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Total	\$875.16
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Frank A. Hussey, Road Agent.

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### EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF TRACTOR

Tidewater Oil Co., fuel oil	\$ 43.78
Miller Auto Co., oil	60.35
Miller Auto Co., supplies	302.38
Eastman Oil Co., fuel oil	4.00
Shell Oil Co., fuel oil	33.79
P. I. Perkins Co., repair	5.23
Merchant's Factors Corp., snowplow blades	45.51
Hathorn's Auto Service, sharpening grousers	45.75
Gates & Stevens, radiator repair	3.48

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\$544.27

### STREET LIGHTING

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	\$ 19.60
Meriden Electric Light & Power Co.	73.05
Mower & Strong Co., bulbs	6.80
E. C. Bernard, labor	3.00

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\$102.45

## GENERAL EXPENSE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Hathorn's Auto Service	\$ 29.78
New Hampshire Explosive Co.	135.50
Lee Woodward, bridge plank	68.02
Harry Johnson, bridge plank	147.24
Bessie Hill, bridge plank	65.30
F. E. Read	5.08
P. I. Perkins Co.	4.00
O. W. Jordan	8.00
Herbert P. King, tar patch	107.13
A. Hayes Jones & Son, supplies	80.39
New England Metal Culvert Co.	148.18
George Parker	5.49
International Salt Co.	30.00
E. C. Waite, labor and material, tractor shed	228.17
Everett Williams, drawing brick	2.50
Stephen F. Plummer	3.60
William H. Jenney, ins. on tractor shed	10.00
John F. McNamara	25.68
Shepard Company	1.71
Carl Lombard, labor on tractor shed	16.72
J. W. Whitney, labor and supplies	11.50
P. A. Hadley	5.50
Gardner's Garage	145.24
Walter Biathrow, rental and purchase of conveyor	210.00
Stacey Coal & Ice Company	5.85
	\$1,500.58

## LIBRARIES

Library tax	\$ 49.20
William H. Jenney, insurance	39.80
Edith M. Whitney, librarian	40.00
Sara C. Whitaker, librarian	40.00
Meriden Light & Power Company	12.00
Edith M. Whitney, janitor	6.00
Arthur T. Whitney, wood	15.00
	\$202.00



### **TOWN POOR**

Old Age Assistance	\$ 419.75
Ellen Chapman	215.00
Mrs. Ernest Green	6.00
Mrs. Ainsworth	2.36
William H. Thompson	6.00
Charles Strobel	14.47
Alice Cuddy	153.00
Helen Cuddy	419.73
James Cuddy	151.00
Earle Slack	252.73
Edward Merrihew	122.89
Emma Jenks	91.50
Fred Jones	22.50
Don Fellows	177.23
Asa Walker	4.91
County Poor	5.98
Soldiers' Aid	48.00
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	\$2,113.05

### **MEMORIAL DAY**

Appropriation \$25.00

Windsor News Co., for flags	\$16.35
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### **DARTMOUTH-LAKE SUNAPEE REGION**

Appropriation \$40.00

### **CEMETERIES**

Frederick Penniman, mowing Penniman cemetery	\$ 2.00
John W. Whitney, mowing Gilkey cemetery	10.00
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	\$12.00

### **CEMETERY FENCE**

Appropriation \$250.00

Carl Lombard, labor and material	\$ 88.77
Walter LaGraves, iron rods	5.67
Forrest Read, lumber	20.45
H. C. Jordan, painting	57.00
Stephen F. Plummer, paint	32.88
John W. Whitney, labor and material	20.80
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	\$225.57

## **DAMAGE AND LEGAL EXPENSE**

New Hampshire Assessors' dues, 2 years	\$ 4.00
Clinton K. Barton, examining records	5.50
Clinton K. Barton, 71 transfers	14.20
Bernice S. MacWilliams, list of probate estates	1.30
William H. Jenney, officers' bonds	80.00
B. H. Gilson, damage to car	3.35
Vernon A. Hood, costs of tax sales	47.69
Howard Hamlin, certifying note	1.00
Vernon Hood, typing warrant	2.00
Earle W. Colby, legal expense	1.47
John W. Whitney, legal expense	6.00
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	\$166.51

## **TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN**

Taxes bought by town of 1941 tax sale	\$404.62
Deed to Raymond Talbert place	89.75
Deed to Loren Hilliard property	67.93
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	\$562.30

## **REFUNDS**

Vernon A. Hood, on Woodward taxes	\$ 3.66
Herbert King, error 1940 Road Account	8.00
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	\$11.66

## **INTEREST**

First National Bank, tractor rental note	\$ 10.88
Lincoln Young Co., temporary notes	235.56
Lincoln Young Co., long term notes	163.36
Chamberlain note	36.00
Interest on taxes bought by town	6.53
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	\$452.33

## **STATE AID CONSTRUCTION**

Paid State Treasurer	\$100.21
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## **MOTOR FEES TO CLERK**

William H. Jenney, clerk	\$116.00
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### CEMETERY DRIVE

Vermont Concrete Pipe Corp.	\$32.10
Palmer C. Read, labor and team	21.05
Palmer C. Read, Jr., labor and truck	20.25
Melvin Jordan, labor	9.98
Rheubin Dorwin, labor	6.83
Edward M. Pierce, labor	3.25
Stephen Kimball, labor	3.50
William H. Jenney, gravel	.50
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	\$97.46
Received check from Herbert E. Ward	\$97.46

### WALKER BRIDGE

Herbert King, labor	\$ 41.50
Fred Mark, labor	43.86
Robert Fleming, labor	12.01
Everett Williams, truck and mixer	31.28
Albert Bontemps, labor	14.45
Charles E. King, truck	32.75
Waldro Cutts, labor	3.38
Edward Short, labor	20.63
Donald King, driving tractor	1.75
Leslie Mark, labor	6.38
John W. Whitney, labor	2.25
Checkerboard Feed Store, cement	60.00
Stephen Plummer, supplies	6.30
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	\$276.54
Appropriation	200.00
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Overdraft	\$ 76.54

### WESTGATE BRIDGE

Herbert King	\$109.63
Fred Mark, labor	77.01
Robert Fleming, labor	65.64
Walter Stearns, labor	21.00
Charles E. King, truck	98.66
Clarence W. King, lumber and pump	41.00
Donald King, labor	7.88

Everett Williams, truck and mixer	68.51
George W. Scott, labor	56.00
Edward Short, labor	47.32
Daniel Westgate, labor	1.50
Perley Coutermarsh, labor	3.00
J. H. Kiniry, paint and brushes	5.20
Merton Gobin, pump rental	7.50
Checkerboard Feed Store, cement	119.00
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	\$728.85
Appropriation	200.00
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Overdraft	\$528.85

### **NEW EQUIPMENT**

Miller Auto Co., tractor and plow	\$3,200.00
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### **TEMPORARY LOANS**

Lincoln Young Company	\$12,500.00
First National Bank	1,500.00
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Total	\$14,000.00

### **LONG TERM NOTES**

Lincoln Young Company	\$1,500.00
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### **COUNTY TAX**

Paid County Treasurer	\$4,940.12
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### **BURNAP FUND**

Expended for worthy poor	\$36.21
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### **SCHOOL DISTRICT**

William H. Jenney, treasurer	\$12,140.57
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## ELIJAH BURNAP FUND

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Amount of Principal	\$2,750.80
Balance of Income on hand at beginning of year	146.20
Income during year	55.00
Expended during year	36.21
Balance of Income on hand at end of year	164.99

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Whitney,  
Fred A. Mark,  
Earle W. Colby,

Selectmen.

## CLARA FREEMAN FUND

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Dartmouth Savings Bank  
Blancha L. Daniels, Trustee

Amount of principal	\$159.25
Rate of interest	2½
Balance of income at beginning of year	105.96
Interest for the year	6.66
Expended during the year	5.00
Balance of income on hand at end of year	107.62

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD ON JANUARY 31, 1942

Date of Creation	NAME OF FUND	HOW INVESTED									
		Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Income on hand at beginning of year	Income during year	Expended during year	Balance at end of year				
1890	Junius Spencer .....	\$ 300.00	2½%	7.94	\$ 7.76	\$ 5.00	\$10.70				
1890	Lucy Parker Chamberlain .....	600.00	6 %	none	36.00	36.00	none				
1894	Cyrus Smith .....	50.00	2½%	4.78	1.33	1.00	5.11				
1894	Eather F. Wright .....	100.00	2½%	7.13	2.67	2.00	7.80				
1903	Westgate Peterson .....	150.00	2½%	10.30	3.95	3.00	11.25				
1905	Sophia R. Baker .....	150.00	2½%	7.57	3.87	2.00	9.44				
1909	Elijah Burnap .....	2750.80	2 %	none	55.00	55.00	none				
1910	Jason Johnston .....	300.00	2 %	44.33	6.68	30.00	21.01				
1910	A. M. & M. D. Rowell .....	100.00	2½%	4.62	2.61	3.00	4.23				
1911	Mary True .....	500.00	2 %	none	10.00	10.00	none				
1912	Philena Spencer .....	200.00	2½%	35.38	5.42	15.00	23.80				
1912	Amos Bugbee .....	50.00	2½%	3.83	1.30	1.00	4.13				
1912	Wilbur Smith .....	100.00	2½%	4.81	2.61	5.00	2.42				
1913	George T. Avery .....	100.00	2½%	8.06	2.73	2.00	8.79				
1913	H. A. & H. F. Cutting .....	300.00	2½%	11.90	7.75	8.00	11.65				
1913	Gleason .....	307.63	2 %	15.41	6.15	2.00	19.56				
1913	Betty A. Sargent .....	50.00	2 %	2.36	1.03	1.00	2.39				
1914	Mary F. Wood .....	300.00	2 %	34.68	6.03	20.81	19.90				
1914	Avery Morgan .....	50.00	2 %	3.75	1.04	1.00	3.79				
1915	George C. Freeman .....	150.00	2 %	38.87	3.78	none	42.65				
1915	Mrs. G. W. Clark .....	50.00	2½%	18.14	1.74	5.00	14.88				
1915	Abbie F. Spaulding .....	100.00	2½%	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.55				
1915	Oliver Strawbridge .....	100.00	2½%	2.48	2.64	2.00	3.12				
1917	Alice G. Martin .....	300.00	2 %	21.53	6.34	14.47	13.40				
1918	Henry F. Nash .....	50.00	2 %	2.68	1.02	1.00	2.70				
1920	Duty Stickney .....	100.00	2½%	8.17	2.57	1.00	9.74				
1921	Chester C. Beckley .....	250.00	2 %	18.72	5.12	2.00	21.84				
1922	Emma A. Willis .....	200.00	2½%	2.95	5.26	5.00	3.21				



## REPORT OF MERIDEN LIBRARY

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### Receipts

Cash on hand January 30, 1941	\$ 7.49
Received from Selectmen	24.60
Mary True Fund	5.00
Marion Eastman	4.00
Abbie Spaulding	1.27
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	\$42.36
Fines for books	3.85
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	\$46.21

### Disbursements

Paid for books	\$37.08	
Cleaning library	2.00	
Incidentals	.41	
	<hr/>	39.49
Cash on hand January 30, 1942		<hr/>
		\$5.72

Books given to the library:

1 vol. by Miss Annie H. Duncan

5 vols. by Dana E. Whitney

Mary A. Freeman,

Edith M. Whitney,

Ethel P. Duncklee,

Trustees.

## PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Balance on hand January, 1941	\$ 91.56
Received from Selectmen	24.60
Edmond Read Fund	75.00
Mary True Fund	5.00
Abbie Spaulding Fund	1.28
Interest on Savings Account	1.23
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	\$198.67

### Disbursements

Electric lights	\$12.00
Wood	18.00
Piling wood	2.00
Cleaning chimney	2.50
Labor on lawn	12.00
Janitor	17.50
Books	28.93
Incidentals	1.91
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	\$94.84
Balance on hand January 31, 1942	\$103.83

Books given by Mr. Percy MacKaye.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Ingram,  
Lucy F. Bishop  
Sara C. Whitaker

Trustees.

### AUDITORS' REPORT

This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Treasurer, and other officers of the Town of Plainfield for the year ended January 31, 1942, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

Howard W. Chellis,  
Blancha L. Daniels,

Auditors.

Plainfield, New Hampshire  
February 11, 1942



## VITAL STATISTICS

### Marriages

Registered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H., for  
Year Ending December 31, 1941

Date, Where Married, Name of Parties, and  
By Whom Married

- |         |  |
|---------|--|
| Feb. 28 | Claremont, N. H., Clifford Clarence Short and Josephine May O'Keefe. By Charles E. Dunn, Clergyman.          |
| Mar. 14 | Greenwich, Conn., Judson Bridgman Cross and Elleen Louise Campbell. By Daniel Bliss, Clergyman.              |
| May 31  | Lowell, Mass., Francis E. Donley and Sally D. Sikut. By Stanley S. Gogul, Priest.                            |
| June 1  | Plainfield, N. H., Joseph Robert Bosley and Laura Caroline Chapman. By Thomas J. Ingram, Clergyman.          |
| June 22 | Meriden, N. H., Eugene Leavitt Wyman and Dorothy Page Wyman. By Marshall Eck, Clergyman.                     |
| June 25 | Plaistow, N. H., Carl Elmer Moulton and Mary Josephine Crowe. By Will Chappell, Clergyman.                   |
| July 4  | Windsor, Vt., William Freeman Jenney and Mary Louise Jacquin. By Thomas J. Liddy, Priest.                    |
| July 17 | Lebanon, N. H., George Henry Low and Alice Katherine Desmond. By John A. Belford, Priest.                    |
| Aug. 16 | Meriden, N. H., Gordon Albert Laura and Evelyn Mary Marcou. By Marshall Eck, Clergyman.                      |
| Oct. 4  | West Lebanon, N. H., Everett Rogers King and Priscilla Constance Hazelton. By Walter P. Brockway, Clergyman. |
| Oct. 25 | Meriden, N. H., Clayton Dewerent Bonner and Pauline Elizabeth Daniels. By Marshall Eck, Clergyman.           |
| Nov. 27 | Meriden, N. H., Basil Downer McNamara and Dorothy Evelyn Towne. By Marshall Eck, Clergyman.                  |
| Dec. 7  | Plainfield, N. H., Creighton Oliver Audette and Margaret Eva Hill. By Thomas J. Ingram, Clergyman.           |

## Births

Registered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H., for the  
Year Ending December 31, 1941

Date, Name of Child, Name of Father and  
Maiden Name of Mother

Jan. 5	Dwight Morris Merrill; Alfred Linwood Merrill and Margaret Mae Clough.
Jan. 6	Gene Stewart Young; Stanley Carr Young and Alice Lillian Moses.
Jan. 12	Barbara Edna Sullivan; Charles Sullivan and Bertha Hall.
Mar. 3	— — Laclair; Arthur Clyde LaClair and Ester Violet West.
Mar. 11	Janet Ann Read; Palmer Clark Read and Lucille Bernardette Plamondon.
Apr. 7	Walter Raymond Gobin; Walter Sidney Gobin and Yvonn Mae Bernard.
May 19	Donald Franklin Hart; Lawrence Franklin Hart and Ester May Young.
June 18	Hans Edward Nicolaisen, Jr.; Hans Edward Nicolaisen and Hope Cotton Daniels.
June 29	Judith Ann Camp; Maurice Freeman Camp and Blanche Elaine Baptista.
July 22	George Ellsworth West; Elmer Earl West and Geraldine Naomi Bullock.
Aug. 4	Kenneth Earl Barker; Earl Jonas Barker and Meda Jane Mark.
Oct. 13	Bernice Arlene Howe; Edward Carl Howe and Hazel Adlade Martin.
Oct. 24	Patricia Ann Wedge; Milton Russell Wedge and Bessie Alice Merrill.
Dec. 6	Nancy Elizabeth Wilder; Norman Erwin Wilder and Kate Elizabeth Read.
Dec. 6	Virginia Lee Strobel; Charles Herman Strobel and Martha Lillian Merrihew.

## Deaths

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Registered in the Town of Plainfield for the  
Year Ending December 31, 1941

		yrs.	mo.	days
Jan. 7	Theophile Joseph Tremblay	57	2	29
Jan. 18	Mary Daniels Nichols	70	3	9
Jan. 30	Marie Grace Picknell	2	11	7
Feb. 6	William H. Skinner	74	11	0
Mar. 3	— — LaClair	0	0	0
Mar. 10	Exom Orville Eaton	81	3	17
Apr. 21	Mary E. Sweet	47	9	14
June 19	Ethel M. Westgate	34	0	15
July 29	Parker Carlton Jordan	66	4	18
July 30	Lewis G. Alexander	65	7	7
Aug. 2	Grace Powell Tracy	67	11	25
Aug. 18	Bert E. West	77	7	25
Dec. 4	James Archibald Corlies	59	1	2

William H. Jenney,  
Town Clerk.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF PLAINFIELD**

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**Officers of the District**

**Moderator**

CONVERSE A. CHELLIS

**Clerk**

J. W. WHITNEY

**Treasurer**

WILLIAM H. JENNEY

**School Board**

HARRIET WILLIAMS, Chairman  
(Term expires March, 1942)

BLANCH A. L. DANIELS  
(Term expires March, 1943)

ETHEL P. DUNCKLEE  
(Term expires March, 1944)

**Superintendent of Schools**

WILLIAM J. ENGLISH

**School Nurse**

MRS. ROBERT HASHAM

**Auditor**

HOWARD W. CHELLIS

**Truant Officer**

JOHN F. McNAMARA  
(43)

## PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

### WARRANT

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#### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan, in said State qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall at Meriden, in said District on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 1942, at 10:30 o'clock in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1.** To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

**Article 3.** To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

**Article 4.** To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

**Article 5.** To choose Auditors or other agents for the ensuing year.

**Article 6.** To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

**Article 7.** To see if the District will vote to make an alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools, and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District as determined by the School Board in its Annual Report.

**Article 8.** To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to sell the Spencer schoolhouse.

**Article 9.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.



Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of  
February, nineteen hundred and forty-two.

Harriet Williams,  
Blancha L. Daniels,  
Ethel P. Duncklee,  
Plainfield School Board.

A true copy of warrant attest:

Harriet Williams,  
Blancha L. Daniels,  
Ethel P. Duncklee,  
Plainfield School Board

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
(Year ending June 30, 1941)

<b>Current Revenue</b>	
State Aid	\$ 4,727.47
Selectmen (1940 assessment)	11,756.47
Dog Tax	218.60
Tuition	80.00
Income from Land Rent	15.30
Sale of property	13.78
Balance on hand July 1, 1940	29.99
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Grand total receipts	\$ 16,841.81
<b>Current Expenses</b>	
Salaries of District Officers	\$ 223.00
Superintendent's Excess Salary	400.00
Truant Officer and Census	6.36
Expense of Administration	86.65
Teachers' Salaries	6,800.00
Text Books	226.02
Scholars' Supplies	186.70
Flags and Appurtenances	11.55
Other Expenses of Instruction	8.64
Janitor Service	433.00
Fuel	459.54
Water, Lights, Janitors' supplies	111.39
Minor Repairs	164.12
Medical Inspection	307.29
Transportation of Pupils	2,747.60
High School and Academy Tuition	3,142.50
Tax for State Wide Supervision	396.00
Insurance	84.00
New Equipment	14.76
Payment of Debt	522.00
Payment of Interest on Debt	73.08
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Total Expenditures	\$ 16,404.20
Balance on hand at end of year	437.61
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Grand Total	\$ 16,841.81

## STATEMENT OF DEBT PAYMENTS

February 1, 1942

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October 1938

Borrowed from Claremont National Bank \$ 2,610.00

Paid October 1939 \$522.00

Paid October 1940 522.00

Paid October 1941 522.00

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1,566.00

Present Debt \$ 1,044.00

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1941

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Cash on hand June 30, 1940 \$ 29.99

Received from Selectmen 11,756.67

Dog Tax 218.60

Land Rent 15.30

State Treasurer (State Aid) 4,727.47

Tuition, Enfield School 80.00

Refunds 13.78

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Total Receipts \$ 16,841.81

Less School Board Orders Paid 16,404.20

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Cash in Hand June 30, 1941 \$ 437.61

## SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET FOR 1942-1943

### Detailed Statement of Estimated Expenditures

(Note) Amount of \$5 tax is necessary to obtain  
State Aid \$5,739.11

#### Support of Schools:

Teachers' Salaries	\$ 7,300.00	
Textbooks	175.00	
Supplies	175.00	
Flags and Appurtenances	5.00	
Other Expense of Instruction	10.00	
Janitor Service	431.00	
Water, Lights & Janitor Supplies	120.00	
Fuel	400.00	
Minor Repairs and Expenses	250.00	
Health Supervision	320.00	
Transportation of Pupils	2,900.00	
	<hr/>	\$12,086.00

#### Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of District Officers	\$ 223.00	
Truant Officer and Census	12.00	
Payment of Tuition to High Schools and Academies	3,500.00	
Supt.'s Excess Salary—by Sup. Union	400.00	
Payment of Interest	50.00	
Payment of Debt	522.00	
Per Capita Tax	386.00	
Expense of Administration	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,168.00

Total amount to meet School Board's Budget	<hr/>	\$17,254.00
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#### Estimated Income of District

Balance on hand June 30, 1942 (estimated)	\$ 200.00
State Aid	5,000.00
Dog Tax (estimated)	75.00

Income from Land Rent (estimated)	50.00	
Elementary School Tuition	80.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,405.00
Assessment required to balance School Board's Budget		<hr/>
		\$11,849.00

### AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Plainfield, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Howard W. Chellis,  
Auditor.



## ENROLLMENT

January 1, 1942

No. Pupils in Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Meriden Primary									
Hazel Dodge	6	8	5	6					25
Meriden Grammar									
Ruth Berry					6	8	4	3	21
Plainfield Primary									
Jeannette Bowlby	6	6	7	7					26
Plainfield Grammar									
David Armstrong					5	4	10	2	21
East Plainfield									
Thalia Drew	2	2	3	4	2	1	4	6	24
Brook School									
Ethel Millen	4	0	1	2	0	3	5	0	15
Methodist Hill									
Josephine Crane	1	2	5	0	0	2	0	2	12
Totals	19	18	21	19	13	18	23	13	144

## GENERAL STATISTICS

For the Year Ending June 30, 1941

	'39 - '40	'40 - '41
Number of children enrolled	168	166
Average Membership	152.2	151.2
Average Attendance	143.3	141.9
Per cent of Attendance	94	94.02
Number of Days School in Session	180	177
Number of Children Transported		
at District Expense	61	61
Number of Secondary School		
Students	46	42
Number of Visits by Superintendent	121	112
Number Visits by Board Members	44	34
Number Visits by Citizens	404	341

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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To the School Board and Citizens of Plainfield:

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my ninth annual report on the activities of the Plainfield Schools. This is the twenty-third in a series of such reports. It does not attempt to give any philosophy in education, but rather to make a historical record of the activities of the schools, the number and names of the pupils who have graduated from the eighth grade and those who attend high school.

### **Teachers**

The only teacher changes we have had this year is in the Brook School, which is being taught by Mrs. Ethel Millen, who had former experience in one room schools. Mrs. Millen's maturity and earnestness of purpose is being reflected in the attitude of the children.

Mr. John Mitchell, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, who replaced Mr. George Low as music supervisor at K. U. A., is conducting work in music in the two room and one room schools. Everyone seems pleased with his general conduct of the work.

### **School Buildings and Transportation**

Transportation to the various schools is being carried on as heretofore, with the exception that the Meriden route has had to be extended in a third direction, toward the easterly part of the town, near the home of Alfred Bean.

The Brook and East Plainfield Schools are enjoying the privilege of sanitary toilet facilities, due to the appropriation of \$400.00 at the last annual meeting, for septic tanks for each of these schools. These were installed during the summer and are proving satisfactory. The materials and installation cost very close to the amount appropriated.

The Plain School rooms and corridor were redecorated during the summer months. The exterior of the Meriden School should have a coat of paint, as should the Brook School where the roof also needs attention.

### **Prizes and Awards**

The prizes awarded the eighth grade pupils by the Honorable H. E. Ward for patriotic subjects, are as follows:

	<b>Eastern Section</b>	<b>Western Section</b>
1st Prize	Edith Torry	Stephen Plummer
2nd Prize	Ruth Dion	David Stone
3rd Prize	Richard Pickens	Jean Read

### **Budget and State Aid**

The budget for this year is slightly more than last year. We anticipate about the same amount for State Aid as we had last year, which was in the vicinity of \$5,100.00, although this occasionally has to be reduced by the State Board, somewhat, in order to spread the State Aid appropriations for the school districts that are eligible, on account of the smallness of the state's appropriation.

### **Health Work**

I call your attention to the work of Mrs. Hasham, the school nurse, which follows this report.

### Conclusion

In general I think the citizens of Plainfield may well feel proud of the schools. We should all be grateful to the teachers for their attention to individual needs, their devotion to the work at hand and their outlook for the general welfare of the children. We have been fortunate, in that all of our teachers are experienced, many of whom have gained most of their experience in the schools of Plainfield. It is hoped that sufficient money can be found to induce all of these teachers to remain for the coming year.

Surplus Commodities have been furnished to all of the schools and in most instances, good use has been made of these. The neighbors and citizens of East Plainfield and Meriden are to be commended for their assistance at school parties wherein some money was raised to buy equipment for noon lunches. Appreciation is hereby expressed to those who transport the children to schools, the teachers, pupils and parents and to the School Board Members, who in the last analysis bear the weight of the problems that confront us.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. English,  
Superintendent of Schools.

January 23, 1942

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

### Plainfield Schools

1941-1942

This year the following defects were noted and reported to the parents:

Defects:	Number Children	Treatment or Correction
Defective teeth	65	18
Enlarged tonsils	13	3
Defective vision	8	3
Malnutrition (3 obese)	28	10
Enlarged thyroid	1	1
Skin eruptions (not infectious)	8	
Poor posture	18	18
Communicable diseases:		
Chicken pox	43	
Measles	5	
Total number visits:		
School	80	
Homes	49	
Business Calls	11	

The advice of the nurse may be and often is a definite aid to health education. She is in a position to have intimate knowledge of the health problems of individual pupils and to make direct contacts with the homes. Through the visits to the homes she gives the parents a clear idea of the school health program.

I want to thank you again for your generous consideration.

Zephyrine L. Hasham, R. N.,  
School Nurse.



# PLAINFIELD TUITION PUPILS

1941-1942

## Kimball Union Academy

	Gr.		Gr.
Boyd, Sheila	9	Moulton, Mary	10
Brewster, Seward	10	Plummer, Stephen	9
Dunklee, John	12	Rich, George	10
Jones, Wallace, Jr.	11	Whitney, Dana	12
McNamara, John	10	Whitney, John	10

## Lebanon High School

Barker, Doris	12	Merrihew, Frances	12
Blair, Robert	12	Pickens, Catholine	10
Blair, Richard	10	Pickens, Richard	9
Chapman, Arline	10	Porter, Paul	11
DePalma, John	10	Thibault, Henry	12
Harlow, Robert	10	Tremblay, Francis	12
Dion, Ruth	9	Woodward, Shirley	11
Mark, Leslie	12		

## Windsor, Vt., High School

Gibson, Elizabeth	12	Provost, Pauline	9
Gibson, Elmer	11	Read, Jean	11
Gray, Robert	10	Stone, Bernard	11
Jordan, Sylvia	9	Stone, David	9
Meyette, John	9	Scruton, Ralph	9
Morse, Clifford	11	Wilder, Harold	9
Meyette, Joseph	10		

## Stevens High School, Claremont

Smith, Ruth	11	Lear, Dorothy	12
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## West Lebanon High School

Hutchins, Hilda	12	King, Doris	11
Hutchins, Louise	11	King, Flora	9
Kimball, Steven	10		

## LIST OF GRADUATES

### Eighth Grade

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JUNE 1941

Boyd, Sheila  
Dion, Ruth  
Hanks, Roland  
Jordan, Sylvia  
King, Flora  
Meyette, John  
Peterson, Allen  
Pickens, Allen

Plummer, Stephen  
Provost, Pauline  
Read, Jean  
Scruton, Ralph  
Stone, David  
Torrey, Edith  
Wilder, Harold





